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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7331 NOTE PREPARED: Jan 3, 2005

BILL NUMBER: HB 1136 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Public Notices on Internet.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Heim BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation</u>: After December 31, 2006, this bill allows a political subdivision to publish notices on an Internet website instead of publishing notices in a newspaper. It requires the Intelenet Commission in cooperation with the Department of Local Government Finance to establish guidelines that establish standard forms for notices and promote public accessibility to a political subdivision's web site.

Effective Date: Upon passage; July 1, 2005.

<u>Explanation of State Expenditures:</u> This bill would require the Intelenet Commission and Department of Local Government Finance to adopt rules establishing guidelines for posting notices on the Internet. Both agencies should be able to fulfill this provision within in their current respective budgets.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: This bill allows, and does not require, political subdivisions to post notices on the Internet, rather than in a local newspaper. If a political subdivision chooses to utilize the provisions in this bill, publishing expenses could be reduced. The fiscal impact of this bill is dependent on local action.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Intelenet Commission; Department of Local Government Finance.

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Local Agencies Affected: Political Subdivisions.

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